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Seventh Session—First Sederunt.

At Bowmanville, and within St. Paul's Church there, Tuesday, the 3rd day of May, 1881 years, at half an hour after 7 of the clock in the evening, at which time and place the Synod of Toronto and Kingston of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met, and was opened with devotional exercises, and a sermon by Mr. R. Torrance of Guelph, the Moderator, from the last clause of the 15th verse of the 3rd chapter of the 1st Epistle of Paul to Timothy, as follows: "The Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

Thereafter Mr. Torrance constituted the Synod with prayer in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Roll of the Synod, compiled from the Rolls of the several Presbyteries, comprised within the same, was read, and the attendance marked as follows:—

(The members present are indicated by a * prefixed to their names.)

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

MINISTERS.	ELDERS.	CONGREGATIONS.
1 Robert Neill, D. D.....		Seymour.
2 Jas. Williamson, L.L.D		Professor Queen's College.
3 John B. Mowat, M. A.		Professor Queen's College.
4 Andrew Wilson	Wm. Coverdale.....	Brock st. church, Kingston.
5 Geo. D. Ferguson, B.A.		Professor Queen's College.
6 Thomas S. Chambers...	John Donaldson...	Storrington, Pittsburg, & Glenburnie.
7 Thos. G. Smith, D.D...	George Davidson....	St. Andrew's ch., Kingston.
8 Alexander Young.....	Sylvester Dunning	Napanee.
9 David Wishart.....	A. F. Wood.....	St. Peter's church, Madoc.
10 David Beattie.....		Rylston and Marmora.
11 David Mitchell.....	Geo. Robertson ...	John st. church, Belleville.
12 Walter Coulthard.....	Walter Mackenzie...	St. Andrew's church, Picton.
13 Finlay McCuaig	Alex. Macalister....	Chalmers' church, Kingston.
14 Geo. M. Grant, D.D...		Principal Queen's College.
15 John Turnbull.....	R. F. Pegan.....	Melrose and Lonsdale.
16 Henry Gracey.....	George Gillies.....	St. Andrew's ch., Gananoque.
17 M. W. Maclean, M. A...	Wm. Tennant	St. Andrew's church, Belleville.
18 James M. Gray.....	James Milne.....	St. Andrew's church, Stirling.
19 John Gallagher, B.A...		St. John's church, Pittsburgh.
20 John L. Stuart, B.A...	Josiah Laurie.....	St. Andrew's church, Trenton.
21 Robt. J. Craig, M.A...		Deseronto.
22 James Cormack, B.A...	James Wilson.....	Camden and Newburgh.
23 Donald Kelso	James Balcanquel...	Roslin and Thurlow.
24 Jas. Cumberland, M.A.		Amherst Island.

VACANT.

1	"	Glenvale, Harrowsmith & Wilton
2	"	Demorestville.
3	"	Wm. Beatty Lansdowne and Fairfax.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON (CONTINUED).

MISSION STATIONS.

1	"	Hinchinbrooke and Bedford.
2	"	Wolfe Island.
3	"	Mill Haven & Fredericksburgh.
4	"	St. Columba & St. Paul, Madoc.
5	"	Camden and Tamworth.
6	"	Maynooth.
7	"	L'Amable.
8	"	Thanet and Ridge.
9	"	Carlow.
10	"	Mayo.
11	"	Palmerston.
12	"	Consecon.
13	"	Mississippi.

PRESBYTERY OF PETERBORO'.

1	James Cleland.....	John Ballagh.....	Mill St., Port Hope.
2	John Ewing.....	George Morrison..	Omeme, Lakevale and Mount Pleasant.
3	W. C. Windel.....		Cartwright and Ballyduff.
4	John W. Smith.....	Thomas Coffey....	Grafton and Vernonville.
5	Francis Andrews.....	Wm. Miller.....	Keene and Westwood.
6	Wm. Bennett	Joseph Hutcheson.	Springville and Bethany.
7	Peter Duncan.....	A.C. Singleton....	Colborne and Grafton.
8	Alexander Bell.....	John Carnegie.....	St. Andrew's, Peterboro'.
9	James M. Douglas.....		Foreign Missionary.
10	Nathaniel Clark.....	T. Casement,.....	Lakefield and North Smith.
11	D. Sutherland, M.A....		Percy and Campbellford.
12	R. J. Beattie.....	W. Williamson,....	1st Congregation, Port Hope.
13	T. F. Fotheringham, M.A.	W. E. Roxborough.	Norwood and Hastings.
14	James Cameron, M.A.	J. D. Armstrong,....	Milbrook and Centreville.
15	E. F. Torrance, M. A....	Colonel Haultain...	St. Paul's, Peterboro'.
16	Alexander McFarlane.		Bobcaygeon and Dunsford.
17	F. R. Beattie, M.A.....	Gabriel Orr.....	Baltimore and Coldsprings.
18	J. S. Ross, B.A.....	Geo. Kennedy, sr.,	Bethesda and Alnwick.
19	Robert Stevenson.....	J. Calvert,.....	Ordained Missionary.

VACANT.

1	"	James Gray.....	Gardenhill and Knoxville.
2	"	Jos. Henderson....	Cobourg.
3	"		Warsaw, Dummer & Round Lake

MISSION STATIONS.

1	"	Minden and Haliburton.
2	"	Cardiff.

- PRESBYTERY OF LINDSAY.

- VACANT.

- ### MISSION STATIONS.

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| 1 | “ | Coboconk. |
| 2 | “ | Headlake. |
| 3 | “ | Digby. |
| 4 | “ | Carden. |
| 5 | “ | Rama. |

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

1 James Bain.....	Without Charge.
2 David Coutts.....	Without Charge.
3 Wm. Reid, D.D.....	Western Agent of the Church.
4 R. Monteath.....	Without Charge.
5 John Barclay, D.D.....	Without Charge.
6 James Dick.....	Alex. Marsh.....Richmond Hill, &c.
7 Robert Wallace.....	Alex. Gordon.....West Church, Toronto.
8 Wm. Gregg, D.D.....	Prof. Knox College.
9 James Pringle.....	David Brown.....Brampton, &c.
10 Wm. Stewart.....	Hornby.
11 Wm. Meikle.....	John Barclay.....Oakville, &c.
12 Jos. Alexander, M. A....	John Lesslie.....Norval and Union.
13 John Smith.....	George C. Robb.....Ersrine Church, Toronto.
14 Wm. Caven, D.D.....	Principal Knox College.
15 Wm. McLaren.....	Professor Knox College.
16 John Brown.....	Without Charge.
17 H. M. Parsons.....	George F. Burns...Knox Church, Toronto.
18 Wm. E. McKay, B. A....	S. S. McCormack..Orangeville.
19 J. M. King, M. A.....	David Picken.....St. James Square Ch., Toronto.
20 Alex. McFaul.....	Thomas Russell...Charleston, &c.
21 David Cameron.....	David Elder.....St. Andrew's Ch., Vaughan, &c.
22 J. Carmichael.....	Arch. McMurphy..St. Andrew's, King.
23 Wm. McWilliam, M. A....	Wm. Barber.....Streetsville, &c.
24 John Hogg.....	James Brown.....Charles Street, Ch., Toronto.
25 D. J. Macdonnell, B. D....	Dr. Geikie.....St. Andrew's Ch., Toronto.
26 G. M. Milligan, B. A....	John Carlyle.....Old St. Andrew's Ch., Toronto.
27 John Kirkpatrick.....	Wm. Wilson.....Cooke's Church, Toronto.
28 J. Carmichael, M. A....	John Miller.....St. Andrew's Ch., Markham, &c.
29 P. M. Macleod.....	James Russell.....Central Church, Toronto.
30 J. M. Cameron.....	Wm. Warwick.....East Church, Toronto.
31 R. Pettigrew, M. A.....	Wm. Watson.....Weston, &c.
32 Donald Mackintosh.....	Benjamin Jenkins..Melville Church, Markham. &c.
33 E. D. McLaren, B. D....	Colleague and Successor.
34 R. D. Fraser, M. A....	Benj. Macdonald..Chinguacousy 1st and 2nd.
35 Robert Gray.....	Alex. Webster.....York Mills, &c.
36 James. B. Fraser, M. D....	Daniel McMillan..Queensville, &c.
37 Peter Nicol.....	Wm. Archer..... } Knox Church, Vaughan. George Smith... } Caven Church, Bolton.
38 Isaac Campbell.....	Colleague and Successor.
39 Alex. Gilray.....	James Crane.....College Street, Toronto.
40 M. Macgillivray, B. A....	Wm. Young.....St. Andrew's ch., Scarboro', &c.
41 James Frazer.....	Donald McDonald..Sutton, &c.
42 John R. Gilchrist, B. A....	Joseph Oliver.....Shelburne, &c.
43 Walter Amos.....	David Fotheringham..Aurora, &c.
44 R. P. McKay, M. A....	Sam'l W. Kennedy..Knox Church, Scarboro'.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO (CONTINUED.)

45	Wm. Frizzeli.....	Newmarket.
46	Alexander Tait	Richard Bodds....Mono Mills, &c.
47	John Pringle, B.A.....	Hugh McKay.....Georgetown, &c.
48	M. C. Cameron, B.D...	Walter H. Lindsay.Milton, &c.
49	Wm. A. Hunter, M.A.	Alex. Duffy.....Parkdale.
1	VACANT.	John Henderson...Chettenham, &c.
2	"	Dr. ForestMount Albert, &c.
3	"	Nathan Irwin.....West King.
4	"	Leslieville, &c.
5	"	Ballinafad, &c.
6	"	Camilla, &c.
7	"	Sandhill, &c.
8	"	Horning's Mills, &c.
9	"	Brockton.

RETIRED MINISTERS WITH-
OUT CHARGE.

- 1 George Lawrence.....
- 2 Wm. Inglis.....
- 3 Archibald Cross.....
- 4 William Barr.....
- 5 James Stuart.....
- 6 Thomas M. Reikie.....
- 7 Wm. C. Young.....
- 8 Patrick Greig.....

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PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE

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| 1 | William Fraser, D.D... | Without Charge. |
| 2 | Samuel Porter..... | Without Charge. |
| 3 | Robert Rodgers..... | Geo. W. Hodgetts.Collingwood. |
| 4 | John Gray, M.A..... | John Allan.....Orillia. |
| 5 | William McConnell.... | R. G. McCraw.....Central Ch., Craigvale & Lefroy. |
| 6 | George Crow..... | Andrew Malcolm..Medonte and Flos. |
| 7 | Wm. Anderson, M.A... | R. McCracken.....Mulmur and Rosemont. |
| 8 | Robert Moodie..... | Jas. Fyfe.....Stayner and Sunnidale. |
| 9 | Alex. Dawson, B.A.... | Joseph Telford...Gravenhurst. |
| 10 | John Leiper..... | John Galbraith...Barrie. |
| 11 | Dun. McDonald, M.A. | David Little.....East Nottawasaga, Creemore and
Dunedin. |
| 12 | Alex. McDonald, B.A. | Donald H. Currie..West Nottawasaga. |
| 13 | Smith Hutcheson..... | John Brown.....Guthrie Church, Oro. |
| 14 | Thomas McKee..... | John Davidson...Angus, New Lowell & Bonnyton. |
| 15 | Henry Sinclair..... | James Coates.....Knox Church, Oro. |
| 16 | Robert Fairbairn, B.A. | George Tudhope...Esson and Willis Churches. |
| 17 | E. W. Panton..... | W. McConkey.....Bradford & 2nd W. Gwillimbury
W. Gwillimbury and Innisfil. |
| 18 | J. R. S. Burnett..... | W. Macwhinney...Alliston and Carluke. |

PRESBYTERY OF BARRIE, (CONTINUED.)

- 19 J. J. Cochrane, M.A... Alex. Canning.....Townline and Ivy.
 20 Stuart Acheson..... J. G. Hood.....1st Essa, Burns' & Dunn's Ch's.
 21 J. K. Baillie..... Robt. Little.....Second Innisfil.

ORDAINED MISSIONARIES.

- 22 Allan Findlay..... A. Morrison.....Bracebridge, Monck & S. Falls.
 23 E N.B. Millard, M.A. Minesing, Craighurst, Midhurst.

- 1 VACANT..... Knox Ch., Flos and McCrae's.
 2 "..... Duntroon and Nottawa.
 3 "..... John McDonald..Singhampton & Maple Valley.
 4 "..... John Cerswell.....1st W. Gwillimbury & Cookst'n.
 4 "..... George Stewart.....1st & 2nd Tecumseth & Adjala.
 1 MISSION STATIONS. Midland, Penetanguishene, Wye-
 bridge, Vint, Medonte Centre,
 Vesey.
 2 "..... Maganetawan, Spence, Doe Lake,
 Beggboro.
 3 "..... Huntsville, Allansville, Chaffey.
 4 "..... Port Sydney, Bethel Church,
 Macaulay, Brunel.
 5 "..... Stisted, Stanleydale, Hoodstown,
 Axe Lake.
 6 "..... Port Carling, Raymond, Dee
 Bank, McIntosh.
 7 "..... Rosseau and Turtle Lake.
 8 "..... Emsdale, Katrine, Burke's Falls,
 Kennedy's.
 9 "..... Commanda, Commanda Lake,
 Meconoma, McVittie's.
 10 "..... Strong, Stony Lake, East and
 West Eagle Lake.
 11 "..... Nipissingan, Powassan, and Cal-
endar.
 12 "..... St. Peter's.
 13 "..... McKellar, Dunchurch, &c.
 14 "..... Baysville, Yorke's, Robertson.
 15 "..... Uffington, Ryde, Oakley.
 16 "..... Washago, Severn Bridge, Ard-
trea, Uhthoff
 17 "..... Parry Sound, Carling, Waubru-
nick.
 18 "..... Collingwood Mounaint, Gibraltar

RETIRED MINISTERS.

- W. Johnson.....
 W. McKee, B.A.....
 Walter Wright.....

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.

1 Duncan-Morrison, M. A.	Senior Minister, Knox Church, Owen Sound.
2 Edward Bayne Rodgers	John Clark.....Meaford and Griersville.
3 Robert Dewar.....	Pastor Emerit. Lake Shore.
4 William Forrest.....	Retired.
5 James Cameron.....	Andrew McGill...Chatsworth.
6 Archibald McDermid.	George SkeneLatona and Rocky Saugeen.
7 Alex. McLennan.....	John Ross.....Knox Church, Sydenham.
8 Hugh Currie.....	Gatis.....Keady, Desboro' and Peabody.
9 Archibald Stevenson...	Wm McQuaker...St. Vincent and Sydenham.
10 John Somerville, M. A.	James Leslie.....Division St., Owen Sound.
11 Alex. F. McKenzie....	John Rowar.....Kilsyth, N. Derry & Cruickshank
12 Alex H Scott, M. A....	James Fyfe.....Knox Church, Owen Sound.
13 Ashley T. Colter.....	Reekie.....Thornbury and Heathcote.
14 John Mordy, M. A.....	Gideon Harkness..Lake Shore and Leith.
15 Jas. F. McLaren.....	Euphrasia and Holland.

ORDAINED MISSIONARY.

16 D. D. McLennan.....	Thomas Ormiston.Sarawak and N. Keppel.
	Indian Peninsula, Lower Field.
	“ Upper “

MISSION STATIONS.

1 “	Wm. Johnson.....Johnson, Daywood and Caven.
2 “	Neil McDonald....Crawford.
3 “	Williamsford.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN.

1 John McMillan.....	George Crow.....Knox Church, Mount Forest.
2 William Park	D. Gunn.....Durham.
3 John Morrison.....	A. BuchananProton.
4 Stephen Young.....	Samuel Neil.....Knox Church, Clifford.
5 D. Fraser, M. A.....	James Scott.....St. Andrew's ch., Mount Forest.
6 J. M. Anil	A. Carswell.....Knox Church, Palmerston.
7 J. S. Eakin, B. A.....	Charles Clark.....Dundalk and Fraser Settlement.
8 D. P. Niven, B. A.....	Robert Watson....Amos, Orchardville and Middle Station.
9 John Isakie.....	Jas. Stewart.....Guthrie Church, Harriston.
10 B. J. Brown	S. Luther, Waldemar, and Lit- tle Toronto.
11 John Campbell, B. A...	Peter KeanKnox Church, Harriston.
12 A. C. Stewart.....	Charles Wilson....MacIntosh and Belmore.
13 Peter Smith, M. A.....	Jos. MurdockHolstein and Fairbairn.
14 D. McLeod, B. A.....	D. McLean.....St. Columba ch., Priceville.
15 Alex. Nicol.....	Thos. Bowie.....Ayton and East Normandy.
16 Jno. McKay, Or'd Mis.	Andrew Lennox...N. Luther, Gordonville and Ross.

PRESBYTERY OF SAUGEEN, (CONTINUED.)

1	VACANT.	Alex. Fraser.....	St. Andrew's Church, Arthur. Maxwell, Feversham and Mc-
2	"	John Inkster.....	lutyre.
3	"		Markdale and Flesherton.
1	MISSION STATIONS.		Black's Cor's & Howlet Sett'lmt
2	"		Berkeley.

PRESBYTERY OF GUELPH.

1	George Smellie.....	William Castell....	Melville Church, Fergus.
2	John Duff.....	Superannuated.....	
3	Thomas Wardrope, D.D.	William Brown....	Chalmers' Church, Guelph.
4	Robert Torrance.....		First Congregation, Guelph.
5	William S. Ball.....	Arthur McBean....	Knox Church, Guelph.
6	James K. Smith, A.M.	Peter McGregor...	Knox Church, Galt.
7	James Middlemiss.....	James Cowie.....	Chalmers' Church, Elora.
8	William Millican.....	John Scott.....	St. John's Church, Garafraxa and Mimosa.
9	Alexander McKay, D.D.	M. McNaughton...	Duff's Church, East Puslinch.
10	James B. Mullan.....	A. D. Fordyce	St. Andrew's Church, Fergus.
11	George Haigh.....	John Dickie.....	Doon, Hespeler and Preston.
12	J. C. Smith, A.M., B.D.	Charles Davidson...	St. Andrew's Church, Guelph.
13	David Smyth.....	Peter Dunbar.....	First Church, Eramosa.
14	Jas. A. R. Dickson....	Thos. Dalgliesh....	Central Presbyterian Ch., Galt.
15	John Davidson.....	James Deans.....	Alma and Zion Church, Nichol.
16	Evan Macaulay, A. B.	James Wight.....	West Puslinch.
27	Henry Edmison, A.M.	John McKay.....	Calvin ch., Rothsay & Moorefield
18	Donald Strachan.....	John A. Armstrong	Rockwood.
19	D. B. Cameron.....	David Henderson...	Knox Church, Acton.
20	Simeon W. Fisher.....	John Keith.....	Knox Church, Elora.
21	James Bryant.....	Alex. McLachlan...	Glenallan and Hollin.
22	H. H. McPherson, A.M.	Andrew Elliott....	Nassagaweya and Campbellville.
23	Wm. C. Armstrong.....	Robert Ferguson...	St. Andrew's Church, Hillsburgh Bethel Ch., Price's Corners.
24	A. M. Hamilton, A.M.	Alex. Mitchell.....	Chalmers' Ch., Winterbourne.
25	Robert Fowlie.....	Robert Wood.....	Erin and Ospringe.
25	Donald Tait, A.B.....	James M. Muir....	St. Andrew's Church, Berlin.
27	Alexander Russell.....	Dr. Vardon.....	Hawksville.
1	MISSION STATIONS.		
1	"	Allan Ramsay.....	Eden Mills.
2	"	Andrew Nicol.....	Second Church, Garafraxa.
RETIRED MINISTERS WITH-			
OUT CHARGE.			
1	John G. Macgregor.....		
2	William Meldrum.....		

SUMMARY OF CHANGES.

There was laid on the table a Summary Statement of the changes affecting the Rolls of the several Presbyteries comprising the Synod, which had occurred since last meeting.

This statement was taken as read and ordered to be engrossed in the minutes, and is as follows :

DEATHS.

The following Ministers were removed by death :

1. Alexander MacLennan, B. A., Amherst Island, on the 18th May last, in the Presbytery of Kingston.
2. Henry Gordon, (retired minister), Gananoque, on the 13th December of the past year, same Presbytery.
3. Dugald MacGregor, Longford and North Mara, Presbytery of Lindsay, on the 19th September of the past year.

DEMISSIONS.

The following Ministers gave in the demission of their charges, and the pastoral relation between them and their respective congregations was dissolved, as undermentioned :

1. Algernon Matthews, Lansdowne and Fairfax, Presbytery of Kingston, on the 8th day of April of the present year.

William Hodnett, Perrytown and Knoxville, Presbytery of Peterborough, on the 17th day of August last, in order to accept an appointment of the Home Mission Committee, to labor as a Missionary in Manitoba, being transferred to the Presbytery of Manitoba.

3. William White, Warsaw and Dummer, Presbytery of Peterborough, on the 11th January of this year.

4. D. D. MacLennan, Kirkfield and Victoriaville, Presbytery of Lindsay, on the 31st August of the past year.

5. William Fraser, D. D., senior minister of First West Gwillimbury congregation, Presbytery of Barrie, on the 30th day of November last.

6. Robert Scott, Ordained Missionary, Midland, Penetanguishene, Wyebidge, &c., Presbytery of Barrie, on the 28th January of this year.

7. Hugh Thomson, engagement as Ordained Missionary in Maganetawan, ended on 1st April of this year, same Presbytery.

8. A. Dawson, B. A., Washago and Severn Bridge, Presbytery of Barrie, part of his charge on account of its being too large, and with the view of the demitted enngregations forming part of a new mission group—these arrangements to take effect on 1st May of this year.

9. Joseph S. Eakin, B. A., Mount Albert and Ballantræ, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 23rd day of May of the past year.

10. Daniel W. Cameron, Knox Church, Palmerston, Presbytery of Saugeen, on the 16th day of May last.

INDUCTIONS.

The following Ministers, previously without charge, were inducted into the charges named below, and on the undermentioned dates :

1. James Cormack, B.A., Ordained Missionary, Camden and Newburgh, Presbytery of Kingston, on the 1st day of May of last year, and his name was added to the Roll of Presbytery on the 6th day of July last.

2 .D. D. MacLennan, Ordained Missionary, Sarawak and North Keppel, Presbytery of Owen Sound, on the 16th day of October of the past year.

3. Joseph S. Eakin, B.A., Dundalk and Fraser Settlement, Presbytery of Saugeen, on 18th January of the present year.

ORDINATIONS.

The Probationers named below, were, at the dates annexed, ordained, and at the same time inducted into the undermentioned pastoral charges ;

1. James Cumberland, M.A., Amherst Island, Presbytery of Kingston, on the 3rd day of February of this year.

2. J. S. Ross, B.A., Bethesda and Alnwick, Presbytery of Peterborough, on the 8th day of March of the present year.

3. William A. Hunter, M.A., Parkdale, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 16th November of last year.

4. John K. Baillie, Second Innisfil, Presbytery of Barrie, on the 12th October of the past year.

5. James F. McLaren, Euphrasia and Holland, Presbytery of Owen Sound, on the 8th day of December last.

6. Alexander Russell, Hawkesville, Presbytery of Guelph, on the 2nd day of June, 1880.

7. Evan Macaulay, B.A., West Puslinch, same Presbytery, on the 3rd day of August last.

8. William C. Armstrong, St. Andrew's Church, Hillsburgh, and Bethel Church, Price's Corners, 26th April of the present year.

TRANSLATIONS.

The following Ministers, having accepted calls were loosed from their respective charges, and were inducted into other congregations, as stated below :

William MacWilliam, M. A., Bethesda and Alnwick, Presbytery of Peterborough, on the 26th October of last year, to Streetsville and Dixie, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 18th day of November of the same year.

James Ballentine, Cobourg, Presbytery of Peterborough, on the 22nd March of this year, to River Street Church, Paris, Presbytery of Paris.

William Aitken, St. Andrew's Church, Vaughan, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 23rd day of May of the past year, to Newcastle, Presbytery of Miramichi.

Patrick McF. Macleod, Knox Church Stratford, Presbytery of Stratford, to Central Church, Toronto, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 20th day of July of last year.

David Camelon, St. James' Church, London, Presbytery of London, to St. Andrew's Church, Vaughan, Presbytery of Toronto, on the 5th day of October last.

Donald Stewart, St. Andrew's Church, Arthur, Presbytery of Saugeen, on the 22nd August of the past year, to Wallacetown, Presbytery of London.

Charles Cameron, Cotswold, Presbytery of Saugeen, on the 15th November last, to Chalmer's Church, Kincardine, Presbytery of Maitland.

J. M. Aull, Ratho and Innerkip, Presbytery of Paris, to Knox Church, Palmerston, Presbytery of Saugeen, on the 10th day of November last.

Henry Edmison, M. A., Melbourne, Presbytery of Quebec, to Calvin Church, Rothsay and Moorefield, Presbytery of Guelph, on the 1st day of June of the past year.

LICENSURE OF STUDENTS.

The following Students were licensed as Probationers :

Presbytery of Kingston, Gilbert C. Patterson, M.A., 6th July, 1880.

"	"	James Cumberland M.A.,	"	"
"	Whitby,	James S. Ross, B.A.,	20th July,	"
"	Toronto,	Wm. A. Hunter, M.A.,	6th July,	"
"	"	A. B. Baird, M.A.,	7th Sept.,	"
"	"	J. C. Tibb, M.A.,	"	"
"	"	Wm. McKay,	"	"
"	"	J. K. Johnson, B. A.,	"	"
"	Barrie,	John K. Wright,	28th July,	"
"	"	John K. Baillie,	"	"
"	Owen Sound,	James F. McLaren,	21st July,	"

CONGREGATIONS ERECTED.

The following Congregations were erected :

Huntingdon united with Stirling, Presbytery of Kingston, 16th March, 1881.

Laskey and West King, Presbytery of Toronto: formed into one charge, 6th July, 1880,

MISSION STATIONS ORGANIZED.

The following Mission Stations were organized, or re-arranged :

Consecon disjoined from Trenton and placed on Mission List, Presbytery of Kingston, on 22nd day of September last.

Mississippi recognized as a Mission Station, same Presbytery, on the 16th March, 1881,

Burke's Falls, Township of Armour,	Presbytery of Barrie,	28th Aug., 1880.
Stony Lake,	Strong,	3rd Sept., "
Strong,	Strong,	4th " "
Eagle Lake,	Machar,	6th " "
Powassan,	Himsworth,	10th " "
Nipissingan,	Nipissing,	11th " "
Meconoma,	Lount,	18th " "

Stisted, Stanleydale, Port Sydney and Bethel Church divided, and formed into two separate groups, viz:—

- (1.) Stisted, Stanleydale, Hoodstown, and Axe Lake, and
- (2.) Port Sydney, Bethel Church and Brunel, on 22nd March, 1881.

Severn Bridge and Washago separated from Gravenhurst and joined to Ardtrea and Uhtoff, to take effect on 1st May, 1881.

TRANSFERENCE OF STATIONS.

Blairton was re-transferred from Presbytery of Kingston to that of Peterborough, and Morton and Seeley's Bay were transferred from Presbytery of Kingston to that of Brockville, on 6th July, 1880, by decision of General Assembly.

The name of the station of Perrytown, in the Presbytery of Peterborough has been changed to that of "Garden Hill."

The Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Galt, was amalgamated with that of Union Church, Galt, Presbytery of Guelph, on the 18th May of last year, both congregations having agreed, with the sanction of the Presbytery, to drop their former names, and to take in their united capacity the name of "The Central Presbyterian Church, Galt."

NAMES ADDED TO PRESBYTERY ROLLS.

The following names of Superannuated Ministers were placed upon the Rolls of their respective Presbyteries, in virtue of an Act of last General Assembly:—

James Bain,.....	Presbytery of Toronto, 7th September, 1880.
David Coutts,.....	“ “ “ “
R. Monteath,.....	“ “ “ “
John Barclay, M.D.....	“ “ “ “
John Brown.....	“ “ “ “
Samuel Porter.....	“ Barrie, 27th July, “
John Duff.....	“ Guelph.

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ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

After a brief address from the retiring Moderator, the Synod proceeded to elect a Moderator.

After deliberation, it was moved by Mr. D. J. Macdonnell, B. D., seconded by Mr. W. Frizzell, and unanimously agreed to,

That Mr. John Smith be appointed Moderator of Synod.

Mr. Smith having taken the chair, thanked the Synod for the honor extended to him.

It was moved by Dr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. John MacMillan, and agreed to,

That the thanks of the Synod be given to Mr. R. Torrance, for his efficient discharge of the duties of Moderator, and for his excellent and appropriate sermon.

The following arrangements regarding the meetings of Synod and the conducting of its business, were considered and adopted.

1. That the diets of Synod for business be as follows:—To meet in the morning at 10 o'clock, and continue in session till one o'clock p.m.; to meet again at three o'clock p.m., and adjourn at six o'clock in the evening; to meet at half-past seven o'clock p.m., and close at 10 o'clock at night.

2. That the several Presbyteries comprising the Synod have leave to meet for competent business, on the call of their respective Moderators or Clerks, during the intervals between the Sederunts of Synod.

3. That the business of this Synod be conducted under the standing orders of the Supreme Court, so far as they may be found applicable.

4. That the Committee on Bills and Overtures be as follows, viz :—

The Clerks of the several Presbyteries of the Synod, the Clerk of Synod, and Messieurs A. Wilson, J. Ewing, J. Abraham, J. Hastie, Professor W. Gregg, D. D., R. Wallace, A. McDiarmid, J. Campbell, B. A., J. Morrison, E. Cockburn, M. A., and J. A. R. Dickson, Ministers, and G. Robertson, Colonel Haultain, J. Leask, A. Gordon, James Brown, and A. D. Fordyce, Elders.

Mr. A. Wilson was appointed Convener of the Committee, and it was ordered to meet in the Lecture Room to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

All papers for the Synod were requested to be handed in to the Committee without delay.

The Committee was instructed to submit to the Synod a list of Committees for the examination of Presbytery Records.

Messrs. J. B. Mullan, (convener), A. Crozier A. Young, and J. Matthe, were appointed a Committee on the Commissions of Elders.

It was agreed to spend the first hour of the second sederunt, to-morrow forenoon, in devotional exercises.

The following resolution was also adopted:

Members coming in after the Roll has been called may have their names noted by reporting themselves to the Clerk.

The Synod adjourned to meet in this Church to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.

SECOND SEDERUNT.

At Bowmanville and within St. Paul's Church, there, Wednesday, the 2nd day of May, 1881 years, at which time and place the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator, Mr. John Smith, with praise, reading of the scriptures and prayer.

Devotional exercises of a special nature were engaged in, consisting of praise, reading of scripture and prayer, in which Messrs. J. A. R. Dickson, A. Kennedy, J. B. Mullan, H. M. Parsons, J. M. King, M. A., and E. W. Pantou respectively led.

The minutes of the first Sederunt were read.

Objection was taken to the name of Mr. Samuel Porter, retired minister,, placed for the first time on the Roll of the Presbytery of Barrie, with the full status of a member thereof.

After reasoning it was resolved that the case of Mr. Porter be referred to the Presbytery of Barrie, that the matter be investigated, and reported on at next meeting of Synod.

The matter of the reduction of the congregations of Warsaw and Dummer, in the Presbytery of Peterborough, to Mission Stations, having been brought up in connection with the summary statement of changes, it was, after deliberation,

Moved by Mr. W. C. Windel, seconded by Mr. F. R. Beattie, and agreed to,

That, as objection has been made by some of the members of the Presbytery of Peterborough to a statement in the report respecting the congregations of Warsaw and Dummer, the Synod refer the Report to the Presbytery for consideration.

On motion of Mr. J. M. King, M. A., duly seconded, the minutes were thereafter sustained.

Mr. R. Torrance read the first Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, which was received and adopted as to the order of business, and is as follows:—

I. That Mr. P. McF. Macleod be requested to lead the Synod in the service of praise:

II. Appointment of Committees to examine Presbytery Records.

III. Applications for leave to take certain students on trial for license by the Presbyteries of Kingston, Toronto and Whitby.

IV. Overture on Psalmody from the Kirk Session of Brock Street Church, Kingston, transmitted by the Presbytery of Kingston, and laid on the table at last meeting of Synod.

V. Report on Temperance with relative documents.

VI. Extract minutes from the Presbyteries of Saugeen and Owen Sound, anent the the transfer of Berkeley Station from the former to the latter Presbytery.

VII. Report on Sabbath Schools.

VIII. For this evening Report of the Committee on the State of Religion, and Report of Committee on Sabbath Observance.

The following Committees were appointed, on the recommendation of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, to examine the Records of the Presbyteries within the bounds:—

Records of the Presbytery of Kingston—Messieurs A. A. Drummond, J. Hastie, Ministers, and Colonel Haultain, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Peterborough—Messieurs James Somerville, M. A., J. Campbell, B. A., Ministers, and George Robertson, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Whitby—Messieurs A. Young, W. Bennett, Ministers, and John Matthie, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Lindsay—Messieurs T. S. Chambers, J. B. Mullan, Ministers, and A. Beith, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Toronto—Messieurs J. R. Scott, J. A. R. Dickson, Ministers, and G. Morrison, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Barrie—Messieurs R. Wallace, D. J. Macdonnell, B. D., Ministers, and James Leask, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Owen Sound—Messieurs E. Cockburn, M. A., J. Abraham, Ministers, and A. D. Fordyce, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Saugeen—Messieurs G. M. Milligan, B. A., F. McCuaig, Ministers, and James Crane, Elder.

Records of the Presbytery of Guelph—Messieurs M. W. Maclean, M. A., D. Wishart, Ministers, and Alexander Gordon, Elder.

The Minister named first on each Committee will be convener thereof, and is hereby enjoined to report at an early diet.

Application was made by the Presbytery of Kingston to take Messieurs James Ross, B. A., David Kellock, Donald McCannell, B. A., John Chisholm, B. A., James W. Mason, B. A., and M. Stewart Oxley, B. A., on public probationary trials for license.

Similar applications were also made by the Presbytery of Toronto, on behalf of Messrs. R. Y. Thomson, B. A., James Farquharson, B. A., Malcolm MacGregor, B. A., John W. Cameron, B. A., John A. Turnbull, B. A., John McLeod, John Mowat, Andrew Henderson and John A. Macdonald, and by the Presbytery of Whitby, on behalf of Mr. W. K. Maculloch;

The Synod agreed to grant leave to these Presbyteries to take the abovenamed students on trial for license, as requested.

There was taken up and read an Overture from Brock Street Presbyterian Church, Kingston, transmitted by the Presbytery of Kingston, and laid on the table at last meeting of Synod, anent a revised metrical version of the Psalms.

Mr. A. Wilson, the Commissioner appointed, was heard in support thereof.

After reasoning, it was moved by Prof. W. Gregg, D. D., seconded by Mr. W. C. Windel,

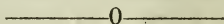
That the Overture lie on the table till next year.

It was moved in amendment by Dr. W. Reid, seconded by Principal Grant, That the Overture lie on the table.

It was moved in further amendment by Mr. W. Frizzell, seconded by Mr. W. Coulthard,

That the Overture be transmitted to the General Assembly.

During the consideration of this matter the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet at three o'clock p.m., of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.



T H I R D S E D E R U N T .

In the same place, and on the same day, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator. By request of the Moderator Mr. John MacMillan led in prayer.

The minutes of the second Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Synod resumed consideration of the Overture anent Psalmody, interrupted by the adjournment at one o'clock p.m.

Mr. Frizzell, after explanations made, was permitted to withdraw his amendment.

The vote being taken the amendment was carried by a majority of votes, and is as follows :

That the Overture lie on the table.

Mr. R. Torrance read the second Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, which was received and adopted as the order of business, and is as follows:—

IX. Reports of Committees on Presbytery Records as the first business for to-morrow forenoon.

X. Appointment of time and place of next meeting at 12 o'clock to-morrow.

XI. Treasurer's Report—first business of to-morrow afternoon.

XII. Unfinished business from the forenoon.

XIII. Application by the Presbytery of Saugeen for leave to take Students on trials for license.

XIV. Petition by Mr. Andrew Wilson, praying the Synod to review the action of the Presbytery of Kingston in the case of Mr. Joshua Fraser.

XV. Protest and appeal from Peterborough Presbytery, and papers in connection therewith to be taken up to-morrow forenoon.

XVI. Protest and Appeal against the Presbytery of Saugeen in the Durham case.

The Report on Temperance was given in and read by Mr. D. Fraser, M. A., the convener of the committee thereon.

There were also read communications from the Honorable the Provincial Secretary of Ontario, and the Council of the Dominion Alliance for the Total Suppression of the Liquor Traffic.

It was moved by Professor W. MacLaren, seconded by Mr. George Robertson, and agreed to,

That the report be received, and thanks given to the Committee, and especially to the convener, and that the recommendations contained therein be considered seriatim.

The Synod proceeded to consider the recommendations of the Report, and after travelling as far as the close of the fifth recommendation, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet half-past seven o'clock p. m., of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.

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FOURTH SEDERUNT.

In the same place and on the same day, at half-past 7 o'clock in the evening, the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met, pursuant to adjournment, and was constituted by the Moderator. Mr. J. Carmichael, M. A., of Markham, led in prayer by request of the Moderator.

The minutes of the third Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. W. M. Roger, M.A., the convener, submitted and read the report on the State of Religion.

It was agreed to receive the Report and consider its recommendations seriatim.

The Synod accordingly proceeded to consider seriatim the recommendations of the Report, and while deliberating on the fifth recommendation the hour of adjournment arrived, and the Synod adjourned to meet at ten o'clock to-morrow morning, of which public intimation was made, and this sederunt was closed with the benediction.

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FIFTH SEDERUNT.

At Bowmanville, and within St. Paul's Church there, Thursday, the 5th day of May, 1881 years, which time and place the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock a.m., and was constituted by the Moderator.

Mr. J. Little, M. A., by request of the Moderator, led in prayer.

The minutes of the fourth Sederunt were read and sustained.

Mr. R. Torrance presented and read the third Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Said Report was received and adopted as to the order of business, and is as follows:—

XVII. Unfinished business in its order on the Synod's docket.

XVIII. Extract Minute of General Assembly in the reference of this Synod, anent Mrs. Phillips.

XIX. Extract Minute of General Assembly in the matter of the transference of Burns' Church, Rocky Saugeen.

XX. Memorial of Alumni of Knox College.

XXI. Papers in Protest and Appeal of Mr. W. McConnell, against the Presbytery of Barrie.

The Reports of the Committees appointed to revise the Records of the several Presbyteries were given in and read to the effect that they were carefully and correctly kept.

On motion made to that effect the Reports were received and adopted, and in terms thereof the Synod ordered the Records of the Presbyteries of Kingston, Whitby, Lindsay, Toronto, Barrie, Owen Sound, Saugeen and Guelph, to be attested as carefully and correctly kept, with such notæ as may be enjoined, and that the original reports of the Committees be transmitted along with the Records.

The following deliverance was adopted in regard to the Record of the Presbytery of Peterborough :

That the Record of the Presbytery of Peterborough be attested as carefully and correctly kept. Attention having been called to an apparent irregularity, in connection with the ordination and induction of Mr. J. S. Ross, B.A., the Synod agreed to sanction the proceeding referred to notwithstanding any apparent irregularity.

There was taken up the Protest and appeal of Colonel F. W. Haultain against a decision of the Presbytery of Peterborough.

The following papers were submitted anent the case, viz :—

- (1). Minutes of Presbytery of Peterborough relating to the matter.
- (2). Petition and statement from Kirk-session of St. Andrew's Church, Peterborough.
- (3). Memorial of St. Paul's Church, Peterborough.
- (4). Protest and Appeal of Colonel F. W. Haultain.
- (5). Answers to reasons of Protest and Appeal of Colonel F. W. Haultain.

Before the aforesaid papers were read, it was moved by Principal Grant, seconded by Mr. H. M. Parsons, and after reasoning, agreed to,

That the Synod refer the papers in this case to a committee, that shall also hear parties, in the hope that a satisfactory settlement may be

come to; or in the event of failing, then to prepare the case for the Synod, it being understood that the rights of all parties are conserved.

The Committee was appointed as follows:—

Principal Grant, (convener), Principal Caven, Professor Maclaren, Messieurs W. Reid, D.D., H. M. Parsons, M. W. Maclean, M. A., Ministers, and A. D. Fordyce, Thomas Yellowlees, and A. Beith, Elders.

On application being made the Synod granted leave to this Committee to retire and consider the case entrusted to them.

The Synod resumed consideration of the unfinished business left over from yesterday, and took up the matter of the Report on Temperance.

After reasoning, it was agreed to that the Report be adopted along with its recommendations as amended, which are as follows:

1. Recommend to the General Assembly the sending of circulars in the future to Sessions to report through Presbyteries and Synods to the Supreme Court.

2. Recommend to the General Assembly to issue a pastoral letter embodying its views on the question, said letter to be read in all our pulpits.

3. Protest against public treating, and against the use of intoxicants at public dinners.

4. That the Synod instruct its Temperance Committee to be hereafter appointed, to watch over all attempts to make such amendments of the Canada Temperance Act as may be fitted to neutralize its efficiency, and by petition, deputation, or otherwise, to use all suitable means to avert the same.

5. Draw attention to the recommendations of last year, especially those regarding total abstinence and prohibition, which are as follows:—

(A.) That Ministers and Church Courts should urge upon their people the practice of Total Abstinence as a matter of christian expediency under the circumstances in which we are placed.

(B). That every effort should be made to bring about as soon as possible, the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The following Committee on Temperance was appointed :

Messieurs D. Fraser, M. A., (convener), R. Wallace, D. Tait, M. A., John Pringle, M.A., Jas. Cameron, (Chatsworth), A. McDonald, B.A., E. Cockburn, M.A., R. J. Beattie, W. Coulthard, A. Crozier, Ministers, and James Gray, (Garden Hill), Alex'r Gordon and Thos. Yellowlees, Elders.

The Synod next proceeded to consider the Report on the State of Religion, interrupted by the adjournment last night.

While the Synod was deliberating thereon, the hour fixed for appointing the time and place of next meeting arrived.

After reasoning, it was moved by Mr. J. Little, M.A., seconded by Mr. W. M. Roger, M.A., and agreed to, .

That the next meeting of Synod be held at Peterborough, and within St. Paul's Church there, on the 1st Tuesday of May, 1882 years, at half-past 7 of the clock in the evening.

The Synod again resumed consideration of the Report on the State of Religion, interrupted by the business of appointing the next meeting of Synod.

After reasoning, the following deliverance was agreed to :

That the Report with its recommendations as amended be adopted as follows, and that thanks be given to the Committee, and especially to the convener for their diligence :

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1, That the Synod own with thankfulness, the continued goodness of God, in the prosperity of so large a proportion of the church under the stated means of grace.

2. They gratefully acknowledge the blessing of God which has accompanied the special Evangelistic Services, which have been held in so many places, and renew their recommendation of these to Ministers and Sessions, where suitable occasions and opportunities are found to exist.

3. They would also renew their instructions to the Committee on the State of Religion, to co-operate, as far as possible, in the conduct of these services, where such assistance may be desired.

4. They would at the same time recommend that great care should be taken not to allow any such special efforts to cause relaxation of ordinary and stated labors of pastors, elders and people, but, while freely acknowledging the activity of many in the Sabbath Schools, devotional meetings, missionary associations, &c., they recommend that rather greater attention than ever should be directed to draw out the consecrated energies of the people, in individual as well as associated effort, and that more especially in seeking the salvation of souls. They would farther recommend that upon the first Sabbath of October the importance of this duty and privilege should be urged from all the pulpits in the Synod.

5. That the question as to the agency which may with most advantage be employed in conducting special services be remitted to the Committee to be hereafter appointed for careful consideration; and to be reported on next year.

6. That the attention of Ministers be directed to those doubtful and objectionable aspects of thought, which are at present disturbing the minds of many and turning them away from the simplicity of the truth, that the evil arising therefrom may as far as possible be counteracted.

7. That Sessions and Presbyteries be urged to send in full and more prompt returns, and their consideration be made the occasion of conferences upon the State of Religion, and that they be invited to send in any resolutions or suggestions agreed upon at such conference.

The following Committee on the State of Religion was appointed.

Messrs. W. M. Roger, M.A., (convener), Professor J.B. Mowat, M.A., A. Bell, E. D. MacLaren, B.D., E. W. Panton, J. K. Smith, M.A., A. Gilray, Hugh Currie, J. Campbell, B.A., Ministers, and Archibald Campbell, (Eldon), Wm. Heron jr. and W. B. MacMurrich, Elders.

Mr. A. Wilson, convener, presented and read the Report on Sabbath Observance.

After deliberation the Report was received and adopted, and thanks given to the Committee, and especially to the convener.

It was agreed to appoint a Committee consisting of Dr. Gregg, (convener), Messrs. A. Wilson and J. Somerville, M. A., to prepare a deliverance on the Report and submit it at next Sederunt.

The following Committee on Sabbath Observance was appointed.

Messrs. A. Wilson, (convener), F. McQuaig, A. A. Drummond, E. F. Torrance, M.A., J. Hastie, J. Hogg, J. Gray, M. A., J. MacMillan, R. Torrance and A. McDiarmid, Ministers, and George Davidson and Wm. Adamson, Elders.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned to meet at three o'clock in the afternoon, of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.

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S I X T H S E D E R U N T .

On the same day and in the same place the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met, pursuant to adjournment, at three o'clock p.m, and was constituted by the Moderator.

By request of the Moderator, Mr. D. Wishart led in prayer.

The minutes of the fifth Sederunt were read and sustained.

Dr. Gregg submitted and read the Report of the Committee appointed to prepare a deliverance on the Sabbath Observance Report.

On motion duly made, it was received and adopted as follows, and thanks given to the Committee for their diligence :

1. That while the Synod learn with gratitude that the observance of the Sabbath is attended to throughout its bounds with a large measure of outward propriety, they at the same time regret to find that in various localities the Lord's day is desecrated by the running of railroad cars and steamboats, by Sabbath excursions, by funerals needlessly conducted on this day, and by social visits.

2. That the Synod strongly disapproving of these forms of Sabbath desecration, earnestly recommend to Ministers and Kirk-sessions to dis-

courage them as far as possible, and particularly recommend that ministers should, during the year, take occasion to preach upon the nature and obligation of Sabbath Observance; and further, recommend our people to set their faces against all forms of Sabbath desecration.

3. That the Committee on Sabbath Observance be instructed to send down to Presbyteries a series of questions, for the purpose of obtaining information and suggestions bearing on this subject, with a view to the adoption of such measures as may seem advisable in the interests of Sabbath Observance.

The Reports of the Treasurer and Finance Committee were presented and read by Mr. R. Torrance, in the absence of the Treasurer.

They stated that the expenditure had amounted to \$184.30, that the accounts had been audited by the Finance Committee and found correct, shewing a balance on hand of \$30.60.

The Reports were received and adopted, thanks given to the Treasurer and Finance Committee, and they were reappointed for the current year, with power to assess the Presbyteries for the same amount as last year.

There was presented an application for the transfer of Berkeley Mission Station from the Presbytery of Saugeen to that of Owen Sound.

The papers in the case were read, consisting of an extract minute of the Presbytery of Saugeen, of 5th day of April of this year, and another of the Presbytery of Owen Sound of the 26th day of April of the present year.

It was moved by Mr. E. Cockburn, M.A., seconded by Mr. D. Fraser, M.A., and agreed to,

That Berkeley Mission Station be transferred from the Presbytery of Saugeen to that of Owen Sound.

Mr. J. M. Cameron, the convener, submitted and read the Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools.

It was, after reasoning, moved by Mr. D. Fraser, M.A., seconded by Mr. J. Hastie, and agreed to,

That the Synod receive the Report, thank the Committee, and especially the convener, express their gratification at the fullness of the Report, and the favorable features apparent therein, and draw attention to the necessity of giving our Sabbath School Teachers as good a training as possible for their special work.

The Committee was appointed as follows :

Messieurs. J. M. Cameron, (convener), T. S. Chambers, T. F. Fotheringham, M.A., J. Little, M. A., E. Cockburn, M.A., R. Wallace, R. Rodgers, John Campbell, B.A., J. B. Mullan, J. Somerville, M.A., Ministers, and W. B. MacMurich, W. Mitchell, W. Adamson, G. W. Hodgetts and James Scott, Elders.

There was presented and read an application from the Presbytery of Saugeen to take Messieurs, A. B. Dobson and Andrew Wilson on public probationary trials for license.

Leave was granted to the Presbytery of Saugeen to take the above-named students on trial for license as requested.

Extract minutes of the General Assembly were submitted, in the matter of the reference from this Synod, in the case of Mrs. Phillips; and also in regard to the transfer of Burns' Church, Rocky Saugeen, from the Presbytery of Saugeen to that of Owen Sound.

The Clerk presented papers relating to a Protest and Appeal of Mr. W. McConnell, against a decision of the Presbytery of Barrie, and stated that he had received a postal card from the appellant deciding to fall from his protest and appeal.

The papers in the case were therefore withdrawn, without being read.

A petition was read from Mr. Andrew Wilson anent a decision of the Presbytery of Kingston, in the matter of Mr. Joshua Fraser.

There was also read an Extract Minute of the Presbytery of Kingston transmitting the foregoing petition.

Mr. Wilson was heard in support of the petition.

After reasoning, it was moved by Mr. R. Wallace, ssconded by Mr. F. McCuaig, and agreed to,

That said petition be received.

It was decided to cite the Presbytery of Kingston apud acta, and it was cited accordingly and appeared.

The minute of this Synod of the 12th May last, the minute of, the Presbytery of Kingston, bearing on the case of Mr. Joshua Fraser, and certain other documents relating thereto, were respectively read.

Questions were put and answered.

Parties were removed from the bar.

The Synod proceeded to deliberate on the case.

It was moved by Mr. R. Torrance, seconded by Mr. R. Monteath, and adopted as the finding of Synod.

That the Synod having heard the petitioner, and the Extract Minutes of the Presbytery of Kingston in the case, as well as other documents, find, (1) That the Presbytery unanimously decided to depose Mr. Fraser from the functions of the Ministry on the 3rd day of December, 1879 years. (2) That they re-affirmed this decision at their meeting on the 22nd day of September of last year; and (3) That, without having had any new facts or fresh evidence before them, they resolved to change the sentence of deposition to that of suspension for one year; agree, in view of all the facts to grant the prayer of the petition and instruct the Presbytery of Kingston to proceed to the infliction of the sentence first decided on.

The parties were called to the bar and the decision of Synod intimated to them by the Moderator, and on being asked they signified their acquiescence and craved extracts.

Extracts were ordered to be given as asked for.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Synod adjourned to meet at half-past 7 o'clock p.m., of which public intimation was made, and this Sederunt was closed with the benediction.

SEVENTH SEDERUNT.

On the same day and in the same place, the Synod of Toronto and Kingston met, pursuant to adjournment, at half-past 7 o'clock in the evening, and was constituted by the Moderator.

Dr. Gregg, by request of the Moderator, led in prayer.

The minutes of last Sederunt were read and sustained.

The Synod took up the matter of Protest and Appeal of Mr. W. Park, against a decision of the Presbytery of Saugeen.

A letter was read from the Appellant, stating that he had fallen from his protest and appeal.

In connection with this case there arose a Protest and Appeal on the part of Mr. John MacMillan, and others, in relation to the procedure of the Presbytery in conducting the business of said case.

The papers bearing on the protest of Mr. MacMillan and others were read.

An objection was raised in limine by Mr. D. Fraser, M.A., who submitted the following motion, seconded by Mr. P. M. Macleod,

That, inasmuch as this is a subsidiary appeal, depending upon another appeal, which has been fallen from, it is now an abstract case, and as such cannot properly be considered by this Court.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. F. McCuaig, seconded by Mr. F. R. Beattie,

That the parties be called to the bar, and that the Synod proceed to consider the appeal of Mr. John MacMillan.

On the vote being taken, the motion was carried by a majority of votes, and the Synod decided accordingly.

That, inasmuch as this is a subsidiary appeal, depending upon another appeal which has been fallen from, it is now an abstract case, and as such cannot properly be considered by this Court.

Messieurs. A. Wilson and J. MacMillan were permitted to record their dissent from this finding.

There was presented and read an Overture from certain members of Synod, stating that the Alumni of Knox College had resolved to raise the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), to form a Library Fund for the College, and asking the approval by the Synod of the scheme.

While deliberating thereon, Mr. John Smith, the Moderator, left the chair, which was taken by Mr. A. Wilson, and moved the following resolution which was duly seconded and adopted :

Receive and adopt the Overture; and the Synod recognizing the great importance of the subject to which it relates, would heartily recommend the scheme to all the ministers and congregations within their bounds, and earnestly request that all the members will use their influence in carrying forward so desirable a project to a successful issue.

The Moderator having again taken the chair, Principal Grant, the convener, presented and read the Report of the Committee appointed to deal with the matter of the protest and appeal of Colonel Haultain, against a decision of the Presbytery of Peterborough.

It was moved by Mr. A. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Gregg, and agreed to, .

That the Synod receive the Report and adopt it as the deliverance of the Synod in the case, as follows :

Sustain the appeal in so far as to find that the appellant was entitled to have the inquiry prosecuted or the petition withdrawn; but inasmuch as, after hearing all parties, it appears that no interest of justice or religion requires further investigation, the Synod decide that the matter now take end.

Further, the Synod recognize the excellent spirit, by which the Presbytery has been actuated throughout, and their obvious desire to deal faithfully under difficult circumstances.

Parties were called to the bar and the decision of Synod intimated to them from the chair.

All parties on being asked signified their acquiescence in the decision and craved extracts.

Extracts were ordered to be given as asked for.

There was read a resolution of the Presbytery of Peterborough, to the effect that the change of the congregations of Warsaw and Dummer to Mission Stations was not contemplated by the Presbytery.

It was accordingly decided to delete the reference to Warsaw and Dummer in the summary of changes.

On motion of Mr. R. Monteath, seconded by Mr. D. Fraser, M.A., it was unanimously agreed to,

That the thanks of the Synod be given (1) To the Minister and office-bearers of this church, for the excellent arrangements made by them for the accommodation of the Court. (2) To the members and adherents of our two congregations in Bowmanville for their generous hospitality, and (3) To the several railway companies which have granted a reduction of fare to members travelling over their respective lines.

The minutes of this Sederunt were read and sustained.

The business being finished, after a brief address from the Moderator the Synod engaged in singing a portion of the 122nd Psalm, after which the Moderator declared the Synod closed, and appointed the next meeting to be held at Peterborough, and within St. Paul's Church there, on the first Tuesday of May, 1882 years, at half an hour after seven of the clock in the evening, and concluded the Session with the Apostolic Benediction.

JOHN SMITH, MODERATOR,
JOHN GRAY, M. A., SYNOD CLERK.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1—STATE OF RELIGION.

Rev. Walter M. Roger, M. A., Convener—Ashburn P.O.

Professor J. B. Mowat, M.A., Messrs. A. Bell, E. D. MacLaren, M. A. B. D., E. W. Panton, J. K. Smith, M. A., A. Gilray, Hugh Currie, Jas. Campbell, B.A., Ministers, and Archibald Campbell, (Eldon), Wm. Heron, jr., and W. B. MacMurrich, Elders.

2—SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Rev. J. M. Cameron, Convener—Toronto.

Messrs. T. S. Chambers, T. F. Fotheringham, M. A., J. Little, M. A., E. Cockburn, M.A., R. Wallace, R. Rodgers, John Campbell, B.A., J. E. Mullan, J. Somerville, M.A., Ministers, and W. B. MacMurrich, W. Mitchell, W. Adamson, G. W. Hodgetts, and James Scott, Elders.

3—TEMPERANCE.

Rev. D. Fraser, M.A., Convener—Mount Forest P.O.

Messrs. R. Wallace, D. Tait, M.A., John Pringle, James Cameron, (Chatsworth), A. Macdonald, B.A., E. Cockburn, M.A., R. J. Beattie, W. Coulthard, H. Crozier, Ministers, and James Gray, (Garden Hill), Alex'r Gordon and Thomas Yellowlees, Elders.

4—SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Rev. Andrew Wilson, Convener—Kingston.

Messrs. E. F. Torrance, M.A., J. Hogg, F. McCuaig, A. A. Drummond, J. Hastie, J. Gray, M.A., J. MacMillan, R. Torrance and A. McDiarmid, Ministers, and George Davidson and Wm. Adamson, Elders.


5—REGISTRATION OF DEATHS.

Professor W. MacLaren, Convener—Toronto.

Principal Caven, Professor W. Gregg, D.D., Mr. J. Hogg, Hon. J. MacMurrich, and Clerk of Synod.

6—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Clerk of Synod, Messrs. A. MacMurchy, M.A., and W. Alexander.

 Business to which Presbyteries and Sessions are requested to give attention:—

1. Resolution on Sabbath School Report, adopted by Synod. See page 27 of minutes.
2. Recommendations of Report on State of Religion. See page 27. of minutes.
3. Recommendations of Temperance Report. See page 26 of minutes.
4. Deliverance on Sabbath Observance. See page 28 of minutes.
5. Special sermon in connection with State of Religion on the first Sabbath of October, See fourth recommendation—page 27 of minutes.
6. Standing rule of Synod in re State of Religion.

That the second evening of the next meeting of this Synod be given to the consideration of the Report on the State of Religion, and that due notice of this resolution be sent to the resident ministers of this church in the place where the next meeting of Synod may be held.



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State of Religion—REV. W. M. ROGER, M. A., ASHBURN.

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